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„ 6 „ 4 „
„ 3 „ 3 „

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1903. [21

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND:—
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J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [22

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [23

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital.....£1,000,000
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Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [B

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [25

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„ 6 „ 3½% „
„ 12 „ 4 % „

E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1902. [20

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CHARLES R. SCOTT,
Manager.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1903. [19

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Hongkong, 12th August, 1903. [18

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Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. [24

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Hongkong, 21st January, 1904. [46

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Hongkong, 4th December, 1903. [26

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FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
LONDON, &c.....	BENGAL ..... G. Philipps.....	Noon, 30th January	*See Special Advertisement.*
SHANGHAI.....	CHUSAN ..... W. B. Palmer, R.N.R. ...	About 31st January	Freight and Passage.
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Hongkong, 27th January, 1904

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(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 3rd February, 1904.
GERA	WEDNESDAY, 17th February, 1904.
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY, 2nd March, 1904.
ROON	WEDNESDAY, 16th March, 1904.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 30th March, 1904.
**HAMBURG*	WEDNESDAY, 13th April, 1904.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 27th April, 1904.

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1904. [42

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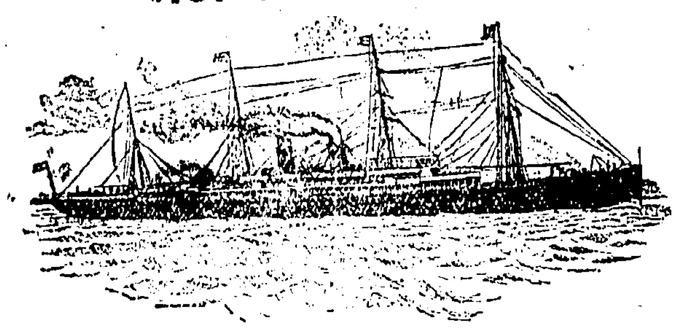

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"COPTIC"	4,352	"	TUESDAY, 23rd February, at Noon.
"KOREA"	11,276	"	THURSDAY, 10th March, at Noon.
"GAELIC"	4,205	"	SATURDAY, 19th March, at Noon.
"CHINA"	5,060	"	TUESDAY, 5th April, at Noon.

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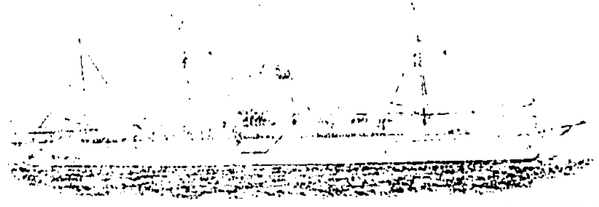

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" "EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6,000	"	WEDNESDAY, 23rd March.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	
WURZBURG ..... v. Binzer	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	31st January.	Freight and Passengers
ALESIA ..... Schönfeldt	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	9th Feb.	Freight.
C. FERD. LAEISZ Sachs	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	27th Feb.	Freight.
SITHONIA ..... Hildebrandt	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	8th March.	Freight.
SAMBIA..... Schmidt	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	22nd March.	Freight.
ANDALUSIA ..... v. Döhren.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	5th April.	Freight.

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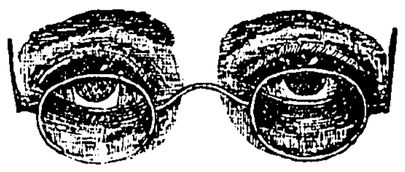

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Hongkong, 6th November, 1903. [44

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1902. [29

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Hongkong, 15th September, 1903. [1

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Hongkong, 9th February, 1903 [57

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1903. [56

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Hongkong, 2nd January, 1904. [58

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Hongkong, 22nd September, 1902 [55

Intimations.

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Yokohama, May 11th, 1903. [G

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PLUNKET'S GAP, the PEAK, near the TRAM TERMINUS, Tel. 56.
For Terms, &c., apply to the
MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900. [32

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED.

THE TWENTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 14, Des Vœux Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 6th February, 1904, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving Statement of Account and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February, to SATURDAY, the 6th February, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1904. [136

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 6th FEBRUARY, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the Appointment of a Director and electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd January to the 6th February, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [129

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

FROM This Date and until after the 25th FEBRUARY next HORSES and/or PONIES not entered for the FORTHCOMING RACES will not be allowed on the RACE or TRAINING COURSE between the Hours of 6 and 8 A.M.

Members may exercise unentered Horses or Ponies after 8 A.M. on the Training Course.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1904. 1138

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

TENDERS will be received at the HEAD QUARTERS OFFICE, Fletcher Street, until 12 o'clock NOON, on MONDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, 1904, for the Undermentioned SUPPLIES and SERVICES, for the PERIOD of TWELVE MONTHS from 1ST APRIL, 1904.

1. Hospital Supplies and Medical Comforts.
2. General Supplies and Provisions.
3. Coal, Wood, Oil, Scavenging, and other Barrack Supplies and Services.
4. Washing.
5. Transport Services, (Supply of Launches, Junks, Coolies, &c.
6. Forage.

Forms of Tender, and any Particulars can be obtained on Application to this Office either Personally, or by Letter, addressed to the OFFICER COMMANDING ARMY SERVICE CORPS, between the Hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.

The Tenders must be properly filled up, signed and dated, and no Tender will be noticed unless delivered upon the proper Form at the HEAD QUARTERS OFFICE by 12 o'clock NOON on the above Date, in a Closed Envelope, marked "TENDER" on the outside.

The Right to reject any or all Tenders is reserved.

Head Quarters Office,
Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [165

JUST LANDED.

A FRESH Consignment of MILK MAID BRAND SWISS MILK.

Per Dozen Tins $2.70 and 23 cents a Single Tin.

H. RUTTONJEE,
No. 5, D'Aguilar Street,
and
36 to 38, Elgin Road, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1904. [72

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the OFFICE of Messrs. EWENS and HARSTON, Solicitors, No. 36, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 11th day of February, 1904, at 4 o'clock P.M., when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed.

Should the Resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened:—

RESOLUTION.

"That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies' Ordinances of Hongkong and that Mr. TANG KWAI POK of Hongkong be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up."

Dated the 27th January, 1904.

NG LAU TONG,
Managing Director.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

MEMBERS and the Public are informed that the authorised version of the RACE BOOK is the one issued by Messrs. NORONHA & CO., which is on Sale at their Office and may also be obtained at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH and W. BREWER & CO.'S Establishments.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1904. [177

NOTICE.

THE COLONIAL COUNCIL of COCHINCHINA has decided that in future the FEE for PASSPORTS delivered to the Chinese at the time of their Departure from that Colony will be of $5.00 only instead of $15.00 as hitherto provided they have stayed less than One year in Cochin-china.

CONSULAT DE FRANCE
A HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1904. [175

WANTED.

A HOUSE at the PEAK for the Summer Months.

Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1904. [170

WANTED.

BY THE NEW AMOY DOCK CO., LIMITED, AMOY, AN ASSISTANT ENGINEER. Terms to be stated in the Application, which must be accompanied by Qualifications, &c., and addressed to

B. HEMPEL,
General Manager.

Amoy, 19th January, 1904. [156

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STOCK ON HAND OF
AHRBLEICHART, a red Ahr Wine at $18.50
GRAACHER, Moselle ..... at $16.50
LAUBENHEIMER, Hock ..... at $15.00
All per Case of 24 Quarts.
Price Reductions for Larger Orders.
GROSSMANN & CO.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1904. [154

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PRICE $10.50 per case of 48 bottles (quarts) or 96 doz. pints.

Special Prices for Quantities.

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1903. [54

KOWLOON CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375lbs. net $4.75 ex Factory.
In Bags of 250lbs. net $2.85 ex Factory.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1903. [10

PAPER-MAKING IN CHINA.

In the Hankow Province there are thousands of so-called paper mills—a mere hut or shed of a few feet in diameter, each employing three men. Only unsized paper is made, the best product being sent to Peking. The best paper is made from mulberry bark and young bamboo. All paper is made in the Provinces of Hunan and Hupeh. This is extensively used. The paper is used for fire-crackers, bombs, fans, sacrificial images, paper boxes, fire-sticks, windows, toilet, artificial flowers, wall scrolls, decorations for lining clothes, soleing shoes, and many other purposes. There are two grades used; that made from young bamboo and bark and that from rice straw. These clases are divided into many grades and weights. The value of paper used annually is, approximately, $1,000,000 in gold, says *Indian Engineering*.

CHINESE LOAN FAILURE.

ATTEMPT TO PROCURE 40,000,000 FRANCS FOR THE SHANSI RAILWAY PROVES A FIASCO.

PARIS, December 17.

On Monday last the subscription lists were opened for the Five per cent Chinese Railway Loan, which was described as the second great operation of the winter season. To-day a paragraph appears in identical terms throughout the Paris press (with the exception of a few independent papers, which could not be restrained from telling the truth about the affair) stating that "the issue has been a huge success, the amount asked for having been covered more than thirty times"; but, together with many others here, who know how the issue has been "doctored" in the same manner as were the recent Russian loans, I have "my doubts," and the opposite of the official communiqué may safely be taken as the right version.

The loan, as mentioned some time ago in *The Financial News*, was to the amount of 40,000,000 f. in 500 f. five per cent. bonds, the proceeds of which will go to construct the Shansi railway. As a matter of fact, the French investor has, after bitter experience, become discriminating of late, and eschews all operations in which the Russians have a finger. The loan in question was patronised by the Russo-Chinese Bank and the Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas, whilst the Société Générale and the Comptoir d'Escompte also declared their readiness to receive subscriptions over their counters; but, strange to say, the Credit Lyonnais, which hitherto has been, and is still, intimately connected with Chinese enterprises, did not figure on the list of the issuing banks. This is considered here as a very significant feature.

Curiously enough on Monday last the "Eclair" prophetically remarked that the operation was doomed to be a certain failure from the first; but that, nevertheless, the promoters would proclaim an enormous success. "There will be a fictitious statement as to the over-application," this journal remarked, "and then there will be the commencement of a campaign for 'dumping' the bonds on Jecques Bonhomme." The Russo Chinese Bank and the Banque de Paris have, at any rate, a good margin in which to carry out their scheme. They have taken over the bonds—so it is said—at 400f., and at the price of issue there is a clear margin of 82½f. per bond—a sum which will more than cover the trouble and the expense until they succeed in placing their new Chinese securities on the markets. A good deal might be said about the prospectus of the issue. A critical perusal would certainly have shown the would-be investor, in the first place, that the capital of 40,000,000f., even if fully subscribed, would not suffice to build the projected railway. The prospectus does not contain any mention of the time the works will take to construct; whilst experts calculate that nearly ten years must elapse before the first engine can draw a train over the track. During that time the interest service will have absorbed nearly 50 per cent. of the capital!

The quotation list of the bourse is being thoroughly overhauled, and several shares of companies of which reliable particulars are not available, have been struck out of the cash market list. Amongst these shares are those of the Transvaal Gold Mining Company. At the beginning of the year a further scrutiny of the list will be made.—*Financial News*.

Auction.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

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MONDAY, the 1st February, 1904,

at 3 P.M.,

alongside DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.'S WHARF,

ONE STEAM LAUNCH,

Built of Teakwood in 1901.

Length, ... 81 feet.
Breadth, ... 13 ft. 6 in.
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Condensing Engines, ... 6 ft. by 18 ft. by 6 ft.
Draft, ... 5½ ft.
Boiler, ... 8 ft. by 6 in.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1904. [176

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentleman's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery, Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superioress will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools who are taught by the Sisters.

HONGKONG, 22nd April, 1901.

Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SITHONIA,"

Captain Hildebrandt, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1904 [159

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"GERA,"

of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 A.M., TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 1st February, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, the 1st February, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 6th February, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned,

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1904 [3

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"C. FERD. LAIESZ"

Captain Sachs, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th instant, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1904. [164

S.S. "YARRA."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. *Midot* and *Ortegal*, and from Bordeaux, ex s.s. *Ville de Lorient*, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY, the 27th instant, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 3rd February, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1904. [9

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"SOCOTRA,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 2 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd February, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1904 [4

Intimations.

THE WORD OF HONOUR.

The men who do as they say; the things that prove to be what they were said to be,—how cheering it is to come upon them. We all hate to be deceived; especially when the deception is intentional. But all men are not liars, even if David did say so in his haste. If they were society would be impossible. Everybody knows that business is based on credit, on faith. Millions are bought and sold daily on nothing more solid than the pledged promises of men,—not written, merely verbal. The Stock Exchanges are often called nests of gamblers, yet nowhere is a promise held in greater honour. Therefore when we say that the tried and effective remedy called

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never deceives any who resort to it in hope of benefit and cure, we may expect to be believed. For this assurance is given on what it has done in the past in countless cases,—on its record. It is only recommended to accomplish what it was *made* to accomplish. Its action in Chlorosis, Anemia, Scrofula, General Debility, Throat and Lung Troubles, Blood Impurities, etc. is convincing. It is palatable as honey and contains the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. Dr. Austin D. Irvine, of Canada, says: "I have used it in cases where cod liver oil was indicated but could not be taken by the patient, and the results following were very gratifying." It is effective from the first dose and agrees with the most sensitive and nervous stomachs. One bottle proves its intrinsic value. It cannot deceive or disappoint you, and comes to the rescue of those who have received no benefit from any other treatment. It stands for the medical triumphs of the age. "Watch carefully against imitations." Sold by chemists here and everywhere and A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.

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MUSIC and BOOKS,

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REPRODUCTION OF THE HUMAN VOICE

SHIPS PIANO
PLAYERS
$450

CASH OR CREDIT

Hongkong, 6th January, 1904. [39

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HONGKONG.
SOAP AND SODA MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR

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&c. &c. &c.

Sole Agents for

FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM
and
P. & O. SPECIAL LIQUER SCOTCH WHISKY, &c.
EVERY KIND OF
SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK
AT
REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1903. [E

Intimation.

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HONGKONG.

CABLE ADDRESS,—*Telegraph*, Hongkong.

THE leading English Newspaper in China Also widely circulated in Japan, Cochin China, Ceylon, India and the Far East generally.

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ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT.

The *Hongkong Telegraph* is the best medium for advertising in China. It circulates largely among all classes of the community, is the largest daily newspaper and has a wider circulation than any journal in the Far East.

Special attention given to effectively displaying advertisements.

The type used as a standard for setting advertisements is similar to this, unless we are instructed to display the advertisement, when any effective style of type will be adopted This standard runs exactly eight lines to the inch, and about eight words to the line.

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TAMBA MARU ..... J. W. Wale.....	KOBE	FRIDAY, 29th Jan., at 4 P.M.
AKI MARU* ..... J. W. Ekstrand	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 9th Feb., at 4 P.M.
KAGOSHIMA MARU..... K. Kori	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon.

* Through Passenger Tickets issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class Through Passengers have the Option of Travelling by the Sanyo Railway.

For further Information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building, 1st Floor, Chater Road

A S MIHARA
Manager.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1904. [5

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [169

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [97

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1904.

BRITISH JIUJUTSU.

The startling information conveyed in the telegram from our London Correspondent, published elsewhere in our columns, to the effect that the Government of Great Britain has concluded a secret convention with Peking, the terms of which will only be made public in event of a war between Japan and Russia, and that England's influence is predominant in the Northern Capital, will come as a pleasant surprise to many. British residents in the Far East have been unanimous of late years in recognising that, thanks to the weak policy of our Government, the influence of our Country at the Court of Peking was little more than a negligable quantity. France, Germany and Russia have, each in turn, rejoiced in the reputation of being the only true friend and protector of the Manchu Dynasty, and have, in consequence, basked in the smiles of the Empress Dowager, and profited by their period of good fortune to acquire some lasting advantage in the form of a territorial, trade, or railway concession. Russia's reign as a mentor and friend was the longest and most remunerative, because her statesmen, wise in their generation, when flattery was without effect, produced a bribe, and when this was unavailing used a threat. That the authorities at Peking have at last realised that Russia is not the irresistible Power she has made herself out to be is not altogether due, most probably, to the persuasive powers of our diplomacy, and it would rather seem that the victory secured to our influence in China is an outcome of our alliance with Japan and the more strenuous policy which it has forced upon our statesmen. Within the last few months, British diplomacy seems to have shaken off that lethargy that has characterised its career since the late Lord Beaconsfield directed the foreign policy of the nation. Our recent efforts in the Persian Gulf, our action in Thibet came as a surprise to those who predicted that the era of daring and successful statesmanship was dead with us, and the present development in Peking will undoubtedly be cause of a good deal of astonishment and of grateful comment. Our leading London Daily has expressed its approval of Japan's admirable policy of calm persistence, and, in so doing, has but voiced the appreciations of the British people; but praise is also due to our own statesmen who, in the programme they are evidently pursuing, seem to have taken a page from the book of our friend and ally. Lafcadio Hearn has told us, and few men have ever possessed a keener insight into the national character of the Japanese than that writer, that *juijutsu* is the old *Samurai* art of fighting without weapons. Speaking of this art as it is taught to *elité* of Japan's youth in her universities, he says:—The master of this science is able, in one moment, to put an antagonist *hors de combat*. By some terrible legerdemain he suddenly dislocates a shoulder, unhinges a joint, burst a tendon, or snaps a bone,—without any apparent effort. He scarcely uses his own strength in the greatest emergency. He uses the strength of his antagonist and the force of the enemy is the only means by which that enemy is overcome. The educated Japanese gentleman applies the principles of this art to vanquishing the moral difficulties encountered in his career, and of the present policy of Japan, with regard to Russia, it may be said that a sort of national *jiujutsu* has been adopted, with the results that are known. Either the Muscovite must retire or the world will probably witness that stroke of legerdemain that completely floors an antagonist. Is it possible that our Foreign Office has suddenly developed a talent for this wonderful science, and that the secret convention with China constitutes the promise of Great Britain to aid that Empire in insisting on the neutrality of Manchurian territory in event of war? This would mean that all military operations and movements of troops would have to be conducted on Russian ground, or England would intervene. This is only a surmise, of course; but that the convention will mainly consist of some such important agreement it is almost certain, and our Government is to be sincerely congratulated on securing another diplomatic victory, which may perhaps help to avert a struggle, and will most certainly strengthen our hands and that of our ally, in event of hostilities becoming unavoidable.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

AN interesting communication on the attemp to procure 40,000,000 francs for the Shansi Railway is printed on the third page.

COINERS are doing a brisk business in Singapore at present, says the *S. F. P.*, and the general public are warned to be careful in accepting change.

A 65-h.p. motor-car which, according to *La France-Automobile*, has been ordered in France by King Edward, will be "a luxurious saloon carriage."

THE German steamer *Tailee* has been sold through Messrs. Becker & Co., of Kobe, to a Japanese shipping company, and was placed under the Japanese flag.

THE Mitsui Bussan Kaisha has chartered two German steamers and the Norwegian steamer *Ragnar* at Nagasaki. The names of the German steamers are given as *Telartos* and *Taifoo*.

ON the arrival of the s.s. *Singapore* at Bangkok on Jan. 3 six winchester rifles and a number of tins of percussion caps were discovered hidden in the firemen's bunks amidships. The arms and ammunition were confiscated.

WE learn that another European lady doctor has arrived in Penang, and started private practice in connection with the British Pharmacy, Penang Road. This is Dr. Edith Baumgardt, L. R. C. P. and Edin.

OWING to the Japanese Government having chartered the two boats of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha on the Hongkong-Manila run, there is a temporary suspension of the business of the Company on this route. It is expected, however, that the Company will resume the service in a few days.

THE prisoner Tse Lin, who was charged at the Magistracy yesterday with having taken part in an armed robbery at Yumati in August last, and remanded, appeared before Mr. Gompertz this morning. Evidence was led and the accused was committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

THE Russian Minister, says the *Sin Wan-pao*, has informed Prince Ching of Russia's desire that China should despatch an Envoy to Port Arthur to discuss the situation with the Viceroy Alexeieff. He further stated that the Russian Government has decided to settle the trouble peacefully and Prince Ching is strongly tempted to comply with the invitation.

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe and officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, on Friday, the 29th instant.

March.....“Marmion”.....(Atherley)
Overture.....“La Reine d'un Jour”.....(Auber)
Selection.....“The Lady Slavey”.....(Caryll)
Song.....“The song you sang to me”.....(Mollo)
Selection.....“Cavalleria Rusticana”.....(Mascagni)
Waltz.....“Sevilla”.....(José Metadon)
Tarentelle.....“The Original Napolitaine”.....(Gulliver)
God save the King.

BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS.

C. E. LE MUNYON.

The case of C. E. Le Munyon, exparte the New York Export and Import Co., Ltd., came on for hearing, in bankruptcy jurisdiction, before the Chief Justice at the Supreme Court this morning, when Mr. C. E. H. Beavis (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) petitioned for a receiving order in respect of the estate of the debtor.

Mr. Beavis said that his Lordship had before him a petition of Mr. Francis James Mitchell, the manager of the New York Export and Import Co. An order had already been made that service of the petition should be effected by advertisement in the *Hongkong Telegraph*, and by posting the petition on the Court House door. His Lordship had an affidavit that such service had been effected that way.

Mr. F. J. Mitchell, local manager of the petitioning firm, said that Mr. Le Munyon was indebted to the New York Export and Import Co. in the sum of $334 for goods delivered to him, and money paid on his account.

His Lordship:—What goods were they?

Witness:—General merchandise, hardware goods, and photographic supplies.

It was mentioned that the assets amounted to about $5,000, and his Lordship subsequently made a receiving order.

RE R. A. COLLINS EXPARTE.

Mr. Robert A. Collins, electric engineer, of D'Aguilar Street attended for his public examination.

Mr. Bruce Shepherd said:—There is a resolution accepting the scheme of arrangement whereby all his creditors will be paid in full. There has to be a confirmatory meeting which, however, cannot be held until debtor's public examination is concluded.

Examined by Mr. Shepherd, debtor said he was an electrical engineer and had had the Dragon Cycle Company's works, besides carrying on business as a commission agent. He started with a capital of about $2,000 and first got into difficulties about three years ago when exchange commenced to fluctuate and when a number of bad debts had been contracted. In June last year he borrowed $500 in order to enable him to carry on certain electric and iron work, and expended the money in buying chemicals and other merchandise. He now owed $236.60 for sugar in connection with his commission business. No one in particular was worrying him for money although his creditors were wanting their money as the debts were now considerably overdue. He had thirteen creditors, and his total debts amounted to $1,965 while the assets were $500 which he had paid to Mr. Bruce Shepherd, and now proposed to pay $50 a month out of his contracts. Debtor said he had four contracts now in view, and there was plenty of work for him to do in the Colony. He did not wish his creditors to lose anything whatever, and said he intended making every endeavour to pay them.

The public examination was concluded.

In the case of Fung Ying *alias* Fung Chik Sang deceased, exparte Leung Tsat Tai, a creditor, which again came on for hearing. Mr. H. K. Holmes appeared in support of the creditor's petition for the administration of the estate, and a receiving order was made.

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SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon in the Board Room. Present:—The President, (Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, P.C.M.O.), Mr. H. E. Pollock, Mr. Ahmet Rumjahn, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Mr. Fung Wa Chun, Mr. E. A. Hewett, Dr. Pearse (Acting M. O. H.), Dr. Barnett (Assistant M. O. H.), Col. Webb, Captain Lyons, Hon. J. W. Brewin (Registrar General), Mr. G. A. Woodcock, Secretary, and Mr. J. H. Kemp, Assistant Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meetings were confirmed.

Colonel W. S. Webb, R.A.M.C., pursuant to notice, moved:—

That the Board recommend the Government to take the necessary steps to improve the sanitary condition (up to the military boundary) of the road leading from Hill Street to Lower Belcher Fort, and to supply adequate latrine accommodation for the Chinese in this part.

Mr Rumjahn minuted:—There is a public latrine immediately below the Belchers Fort, in Queen's Road West, on the site of the old slaughter house.

President moved that the Captain Superintendant of the Police be recommended to take such measure as he might consider necessary to abate the nuisance. Mr. H. E. Pollock seconded and the motion was carried.

OPIUM DIVANS.

Further correspondence relative to concreting the floors of opium divans on the upper stories was considered by the Board.

INLAND LOT NO. 679.

Messrs. Palmer and Turner again wrote to the Board with reference to the application of the 30th ult. respecting the proposed houses on I. L. No 679 for which they asked for a modification of the requirements of sec. 180 of Ordinance 1 of 1903. It will be remembered that the Board submitted there was no power to make the modification, and applicants now wrote that sec. 180 gave the Board the power, wherein stated "and may, in any other case, make such modification as may be recommended by the Board." It would have been more correct, perhaps, they wrote, had we applied for a modification of the requirements of Ordinance 1 of 1903 with respect to the open space to be provided in the rear of the houses by the owner. They, therefore, amended the application for the consideration of the Board.

The D.P.W. minuted:—I am in favour of recommending this application to the Governor in Council. The type of house is a good one, and owing to the configuration of the ground, the houses will stand above those in the rear of them.

WASHING SOILED CLOTHES.

In consequence of a complaint having been made by Miss Johnston, of Fairlea, Bonham Road, respecting the practice of a large number of Chinese washing soiled clothes in the north surface channel opposite her house, and the fact that the smell from the channel was at times very offensive, Insp. T. P. Conolly laid the matter before the secretary, and the acting Medical Officer of Health reported that the Sanitary Board can prohibit the washing of clothes there. It would be as well to do this, he wrote, as the hot water from the Bonham Road pumping engine is sometimes used for washing in.

Dr. Atkinson minuted:—If the members approve a public notice will be put up prohibiting this.

Mr. E. A. Hewett minuted:—Prohibit. The Sanitary Board should do what is possible to enable the Chinese to obtain water for washing clothes.

Mr. Rumjahn minuted:—Yes, agree.

Mr. Pollock minuted.—Prohibit by notice.

Col. Webb minuted:—Prohibit.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak minuted:—The Chinese wash their clothes there because they cannot obtain a sufficient supply from the main. Before prohibiting it the Board ought to see that they be given a sufficient supply for washing purposes.

The Acting Registrar General minuted:—Cannot this hot water, which is now running to waste, be taken down to the corner of High Street and Pokfulam Road? It would be found very useful, I think, by the Chinese in Third Street and High Street.

On the motion of the President it was agreed to put up notices prohibiting the washing of clothes in this channel.

MODIFICATION DESIRABLE.

The Acting M. O. H. minuted:—As my refusal to countersign certificates of occupation of new buildings which do not comply with the amended sect. 153 of the P. H. O. has already caused opposition from architects, I wish to draw the attention of the Board to this section particularly. Throughout the Colony there are a great number of ground floor rooms with no glazed window area which can be counted to legalise the room under section 153. While such rooms are used as shops and are open in front all day the want of window area is not felt, but when these rooms are used for other purposes, *i.e.* family houses, opium divans, common lodging houses, etc., it becomes at once important to insist on section 153 being complied with. I should like the Board, in view of the great opposition which will be encountered, to state their decision as to whether they wish this section enforced without exception or not, and I will then instruct the inspectors in accordance with their decision.

The President minuted:—The Board might make a ruling that no action shall be taken if the ground floors are used as shops, as it is not the custom here to have glass fronts.

Mr. Hewett minuted:—I agree with Mr. Pollock, if the shops are not also used as sleeping rooms.

Mr. Rumjahn minuted:—It would be better that the upper portion of shop fronts should be provided with a netting of small iron bars, placed conveniently apart to admit air during sleeping hours as shown on a sketch submitted by me in one or two committee meetings.

Mr. Pollock minuted:—In the case of shops, some relaxation of the street enforcement of the provisions appears to be desirable.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak minuted:—I agree with Mr. Pollock.

The D. P. W. minuted:—I agree with Mr. Pollock.

The propositions of the President were adopted by the Board.

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THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAM-BOAT CO., LD.

Following is the report of the Board of Directors to the ordinary half-yearly meeting of shareholders to be held at the office of the Company on Saturday, the 6th February, at 12 o'clock, noon:—

The directors beg to submit to the shareholders the report and statements of accounts for the half-year ending 31st December last.

After paying running expenses, salaries, premia of insurance, repairs and all other outgoings, there remains, including $25,552.96 brought forward from last account, and $50,000 transferred from the Equalization of Dividend Fund, the sum of $161,538.86 at credit of Profit and Loss Account. From this amount the directors recommend that a dividend for the half-year of 10% on capital or $120,000.00 be paid to shareholders, leaving a balance of $41,538.86 to be carried forward to New Account.

The earnings of the steamers during the six months under review show a heavy falling off as compared with those of the same period in 1902. This is owing to the increasing keen competition the company has to contend against on all the routes run over by its steamers, necessitating a further considerable reduction of rates since the date of the last report.

The usual overhaul and repairs have been effected during the half-year and the steamers are all in good running order.

The properties mortgaged to the Company have recently been revalued by Messrs. Palmer & Turner, whose valuations show them to be ample security for the sums advanced. The value of the Company's investments in shares has been adjusted to figures well within present market rates, the difference being passed to the debit of the Investment Fluctuation Account.

Mr. Shewan resigned his seat at the Board upon leaving the Colony, and Mr. C. A. Tomes was nominated by the directors to fill the vacancy subject to confirmation by the shareholders at this meeting.

The retiring auditors, Messrs. A. O'D. Gourdin and W. H. Potts, offer themselves for re-election.

C. W. DICKSON,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1904.

The accounts are as follows:—

Assets.

Value of steamers *Honam, Powan, Heungshan, Lungshan*, 8ths of *Fotshan, Kinshan* and 3rd *Sainan, Nanning* and *Tak-Hing*...$	848,000.00
Amount paid on a/c of new West River steamers now building...	40,500.00
Value of Lighters *Sun Lee* and *Wo Lee*.....	9,000.00
" Wharves, hulks, and moorings	86,600.00
" Properties at Canton, Wuchow & Kongkun	117,684.21
" Coal, and spare gear...	19,850.79
" Furniture	750.00
" Shares in public companies	632,935.00
" Chinese bonds.....	1,034.48
Loans on mortgage	666,500.00
Cash with the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.....	5,446.55
Interest accrued to date	1,752.98
Sundry debtors	11,360.33
	$2,441,454.37

Liabilities.

Amount of Capital, 80,000 shares of $15 each, fully paid-up .....$	1,200,000.00
" at Credit of depreciation and insurance fund	633,000.00
" at Credit of equalization of dividend fund ...	250,000.00
" Credit of investment fluctuation account.. ...	149,409.13
Unclaimed dividends	6,967.50
Sundry creditors	40,538.88
Amount at credit of profit and loss account	161,538.86
	$2,441,454.37

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Dr.

To Amount paid for repairs to steamers .....$		21,216.87
" Directors and Auditors' fees ...		4,750.00
" Balance to be appropriated, viz.: Dividend at 10% on $1,200,000 .....$120,000.00		
To be carried forward to new a/c...	41,538.86	
		161,538.86
		$187,505.73

Cr.

By Amount brought forward from last account .....$	25,552.96
" Net earnings of steamers.....	66,838.04
" Interest on investments	45,034.73
" Transfer Fees.....	80.00
" Amount transferred from equalization of dividend fund	50,000.00
	$187,505.73

DEPRECIATION AND INSURANCE FUND.

Dr.

To Balance $633,000.00

Cr.

By amount at credit... .....$633,000.00

EQUALIZATION OF DIVIDEND FUND.

Dr.

To Amount transferred to profit and loss account .....$	50,000.00
" Balance.....	250,000.00
	$ 00,000.00

Cr.

By Amount at credit $300,000.00

E. & O. E.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1904.

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

We have compared the above statement with the books, vouchers, and securities of the company, and certify the same to be correct.

A. O'D. GOURDIN,
W. HUTTON POTTS, } Auditors.

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TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

THE CRISIS.

FLOATATION OF WAR BONDS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

YOKOHAMA, 28th January, 11.35 a.m.

It has been decided to float War Bonds to the extent of one hundred million yen.

The Bonds shall be redeemable within a period of five years.

[Up to the present the amount of money borrowed by the Government from the Bank of Japan is 24,000,000 yen, which sum was reached two or three weeks ago. It was expected the Government would draw more funds last week. Mr. Matsuno, President of the Bank of Japan, has in the past few days visited the leading bankers of Tokyo, with the object, it is understood, of counselling the bankers not to disturb the market, hinting that War Loan Bonds might be issued very shortly. Mr. Matsuno requested the bankers to give their assistance in the issue of the bonds when the time arrived. The Government has already incurred heavy expense, and more funds would be required before the settlement of the negotiations either way, so the issue of bonds would, it was generally believed, be unavoidable.—Ed. *H.K.T.*]

A WAR TAX.

At a meeting of the Cabinet and Genro Councils it was resolved to levy a War Tax. It is proposed to raise thirty millions on the Land Tax, twenty millions on the Income Tax and fifty million on Sugar.

SUSPENSION OF PUBLIC WORKS.

The suspension of all public works for the time being has also been resolved upon, and there will be a re-adjustment of the administration.

BRITISH INFLUENCE PREDOMINANT AT PEKING.

AGREEMENT WITH CHINESE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, 27th January, 5.50 p.m.

The *Birmingham Post* has excellent authority for stating that Sir Ernest Satow, the British Minister at the Chinese capital, has forwarded to the Foreign Office the text of an agreement concluded with China which is to be given publicity in the event of war.

The conclusion of the new compact with China shows that, whereas public opinion had regarded British influence with the Court at Peking as on the wane, in reality, it has never been more dominant.

Opium for China.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, 28th January.

The P. & O. Co.'s mail steamer left Bombay yesterday afternoon with about 1,500 chests of Malwa opium.

Prices are:—

Malwa (New) ...Rs. 1,225
" " (Old) .... " 1,375
" " (Oldest) " 1,450

OFFICER OF THE S.S. "COROMANDEL"

REWARDED FOR COURAGE.

At the closing meeting for the past year of the Royal Humane Society, the bronze medal was awarded to Mr. Granham C. Holloway, second officer of the Peninsula and Oriental steamship *Coromandel*, for his splendid rescue of a Chinese coolie at Shanghai on July 10th last year. A crowd of Chinese were looking on, but none would lend any help in landing the man.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

English (*Chusan*) 31st inst.
American (*Siberia*) 1st prox.
German (*Sachsen*) 2nd prox.
Indian (*Suisang*) 3rd prox.
German (*Seydlitz*) 4th prox.
Tacoma (*Tacoma*) 11th prox.
American (*Coptic*) 12th prox.

The Shire Line s.s. *Marionethshire* from London, etc., left Singapore yesterday, at 9 a.m., and is due here on 2nd prox.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's.)

Impending Cabinet Resignations.

LONDON, 26th January.

The *Daily News* states that the results of the recent prolonged Cabinet meetings are the imminent resignations of the Marquess of Lansdowne (Foreign Affairs), the Marquess of Londonderry (Lord President of Council) and Mr. Gerald Balfour (President, Board of Trade), as a protest against Mr. Balfour's endorsement of Chamberlainite candidates and his allowing Mr. Chamberlain's Fiscal Policy generally to displace his own.

LATER.

The Reported Cabinet Resignations.

The statement of the *Daily News re* impending resignations from the Cabinet is untrue.

The Whitaker Wright Trial.

Mr. Whitaker Wright was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude. After the sentence was passed, Mr. Whitaker Wright collapsed and died within a few minutes.

(Der Ostasiatische Lloyd.)

Korea Neutral.

Berlin, 21st January.

Korea has declared, through her representative that she will, in case of war, observe the strictest neutrality.

Russia and Japan.

It is stated in London and Paris, that British and French mediation will only be possible, if Japan also desires such.

Trouble in German South-west Africa.

It is reported from German South-west Africa that all the territory east of Rambib is unsafe. Families have left Smakopmund. Steps have been taken to send assistance to the stations menaced.

Troops left Wilhelmshaven to-day for Africa, Colonel Durr, the Inspector of Marines, being in command. Prince Henry of Prussia, who had come for this purpose from Kiel, addressed the soldiers before going on board.

Obituary.

Minister Albrecht von Maybach, is dead, aged 82.

(Maybach was appointed in 1878 Minister of Commerce in Prussia and in 1879, Minister of Public Works, when he carried out Bismarck's plan to acquire all railways for the State. He was knighted by Emperor Frederic III and retired in 1891.)

Russia and Japan.

NOTE TO THE POWERS.

Berlin, 22nd January.

The Russian proposal, to address a Note to all Powers containing the Russian statements in regard to Manchuria, the neutral zone, and Korea, instead of making a treaty with Japan, has been reported by "Diplomaticus" to the *Westminster Gazette*. So far, the matter has been discussed only confidentially in London.

(Echo de Chine.)

The Crisis.

It is announced in St. Petersburg that a wire from Vladivostock to the *Novoe Vremia* states that news from Japan now sets aside any fears which may have been entertained as to war, and that peace is now assured.

(Deutsche Japan-Post.)

Opening of Prussian Diet.

FRESH CANAL SCHEME.

Berlin, 17th January.

Kaiser William opened the Prussian Diet (Landtag) yesterday, delivering a speech from the Throne. His Majesty said that the financial position of the country is better than has been the case during the past few years, while the commercial and industrial conditions have improved. His Majesty believed it would be found easy to make receipts and expenditure agree.

The Speech from the Throne announced a Bill for the construction of a canal communication between the Rhine and Hanover, and for the segulation of the Silesian rivers. The Government hopes that the Diet will now agree to the Canal Bill.

Japan and Russia.

Berlin, January 17th.

"Ignotus," (generally recognised as the *nom de plume* of one of the Secretaries of M. Delcassé, the French Minister for Foreign Affairs) states in the Paris newspaper *Figaro* that the influence of France in favour of peace is having its effect in Tokyo and St Petersburg.

The Paris journal *l'Echair* reports that before Russia's last Note but one (received at Tokyo on the 11th December) was answered by Japan, Great Britain and France had already advised the continuance of the negotiations.

The pacific utterances of the Tsar to the Japanese Minister at St Petersburg the day before yesterday are confirmed from an official Russian source.

It is expected that Viscount Alexeieff will shortly be recalled to St Petersburg.

Alleged Proposal for Mediation.

Berlin, 19th January.

It is stated in London that Russia, desirous of avoiding a war with Japan, has decided to apply to the Powers for mediation. The Russian press, moreover, demands that the Government should become more active in the Balkans.

Tsar's New Year Remarks.

Berlin, 18th January.

The remarks in favour of peace made by the Tsar at the New Year reception of the Diplomatic Corps has created the deepest impression in Europe.

The French Press is full of praise for the attitude adopted by the Tsar.

The *Temps* says that Count Lamsdorff (Russian Foreign Minister) and M. Delcassé (French Foreign Minister) are astonished at the publicity given the statement of the alleged mediation of France and England.

Articles in the German newspapers express a hope that Russia will accept the Japanese demands.

The report that Russia intends to send ships through the Dardanelles is contradicted.

Replying to a New Year greeting (telegram from Admiral Alexeieff, the Tsar said: "I pray God that peace and prosperity may be given to Port Arthur, and hope that peace will be preserved."

Disturbance in German Africa.

Berlin, 18th January.

The disturbances in German South-west Africa are increasing. Windhoek, the capital of Damaraland, is threatened. Isolated stations have been seized by the insurgents, farms pillaged, and murders committed.

A Marine Battalion is under orders to leave Kiel for Africa.

Later.

Count von Buelow, speaking in the Reichstag, has given some further information regarding the Herrero rising in German South-west Africa.

The disturbances, the Chancellor stated, are assuming large dimensions, and are without any definitely ascertainable cause. The results of twenty years' labour have been destroyed. Much anxiety is felt regarding the safety of the white colonists, who are fighting desperately.

It appears the natives took the opportunity of the Governor with troops being sent south against the Bondelzwarts to rise.

Okabandja and Karibito are the places hard pressed. Windhoek, the capital, is threatened.

The latest news, said the Chancellor, is very grave, and further reinforcements are being sent out. Five hundred marines depart on Thursday and are expected to arrive at Swakopmund on the 8th February. The gun-boat *Habicht* has left Capetown for the coast.

The Bundesrath immediately granted the necessary expenses for the expedition, and it is expected that the Reichstag will do the same.

(Japanese Exchanges.)

Britain and the Crisis.

London, 18th January.

The *Morning Post* has an article on the crisis in the Far East in which it declares that the present situation is not one whit less important to Great Britain than South African affairs were in 1899.

Japan's Calm Resolution.

London, 15th January.

The *Times* contrasts the calm resolution shown by Japan with Russia's overbearing attitude. The journal recognises the renewed courage displayed by China in the ratification of the new Treaties despite Russian opposition. An increase spirit of independence is thus evinced, which constitutes a noteworthy factor in the situation.

France and Russia.

Saigon, 18th January.

M Nelidorff, Russian Ambassador in Paris, has telegraphed to St. Petersburg the result of an interview that he had with M. Delcasse which will have a considerable influence on the reply that the Russian Government is to make to the Japanese Government. The reply will be made on Tuesday. The general impression is that war will be avoided.

Kurino Sees the Tzar.

London, 18th January.

The *Cologne Gazette* states that the Tzar is to receive His Ex. M. Kurino, Japanese Minister to St. Petersburg, in special audience to-day.

China's Firm Refusal.

Peking, 18th January.

The Chinese Government have rejected the Russian claim regarding the construction of railways between Shanhaiencho and Antung via Moukden and Liaoyan, and also between Peking and Calgan.

Russia's Procrastination.

London, 18th January.

The view taken in the United Kingdom with reference to the present crisis is that Russia is simply endeavouring to protract the negotiations until her own preparations are completed. The *Times* doubts the sincerity of the Russian protestations and points out that if peace is really desired the Russian Government will quickly accede to the reasonable demand which Japan has advanced.

Russia Peaceful?

Chefoo, 17th January.

A foreigner, who has had an interview with a high Russian Officer at Port Arthur, stated that the Russian Officers do not wish for war at the present moment and, in order to avoid it, they will not interfere with the landing of Japanese troops in Corea.

Peking Garrison Reduced.

Peking 17th January.

The Russian soldiers here left for Port Arthur at 10 this morning on an order from Viceroy Alexieff. Fifteen men, under one officer, are left behind.

FREEAR'S FRIVOLITIES.

This Saturday and Monday, at the Theatre Royal, the renowned Freear who made so great a success here 10 years ago, will appear in his funniest of all entertainments, under the patronage of H.E. the Acting Governor, and the elite of Hongkong. Never had such laughter been heard in the theatre as was produced by him on his previous visit, when he was unanimously proclaimed the most versatile, and unique, entertainer China had ever witnessed. He is on his third tour round the world, and has received special commands (as his credentials on view at the Robinson Piano Co. will prove) to appear before H.M. King Edward VII., H.M. the King of Siam, H.I.M. the Sultan of Turkey, and other numerous other potentates, and Princes all of whom have laughed for over two hours at the sublime and wholesome fun provided by this most famous artist, who is a brother of the celebrated Miss Louie Freear, London's greatest favourite comedienne.

MESSRS. J. LLEWELLYN & CO.

REDUCTION OF CAPITAL.

Sitting in original jurisdiction at the Supreme Court this morning, the Chief Justice, Sir W. M. Goodman, heard an application of the Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. D. Piper (Messrs. Johnston, Stokes and Master) for a reduction of capital in the firm of Messrs. J. Llewellyn & Co., Shanghai.

Counsel said that the application was made under section 11 of Ordinance 1 of 1877, and he asked the Court to confirm the reduction of capital in accordance with a special resolution passed by the Company. His Lordship would see from the affidavit that certain amounts of capital had been lost or were unrepresented by available assets, and that a special resolution was duly passed at meetings of the company held in Shanghai for the reduction of their capital. The resolution passed was that the capital be reduced from $120,000, divided into 1,200 shares of $100 each to $72,000 divided into 1,200 shares of $60 each, and such reduction be effected by cancelling capital, which had been lost or was unrepresented by available assets, and by reducing the amount of the shares from $100 to $60 per share.

His Lordship:—An order was made on this matter in Chambers, and I directed that certain advertisements be inserted. Has this been done?

Hon. Pollock:—Yes, my Lord. With regard to creditors. The only creditors of the company, outside the ordinary monthly accounts, is the Chartered Bank of India Australia and China. There was an affidavit from the manager of the bank in Shanghai, that he had no objection to the proposed reduction.

His Lordship made an order confirming the resolution for the reduction of capital.

TURF TOPICS.

In these notes yesterday Disclosure was, by mistake, bracketted with Lumberer in the mile gallop. It was Dormouse that raced in company with Lumberer who were joined by Yellow Skin at half mile. Time: 41, 1.19½, 1.56, 2.30.

One of Ruxey's ponies was referred to yesterday as Mr. Mody's "No. 6". This pony is Marechal Niel Rose who, after the morning's gallop, was reported to have gone off. This is rather to be regretted, as he is one of the stable's "cracks."

TO-DAY.

This morning the course was enveloped in a heavy white mist which had all the appearance of a thin layer of snow.

Much activity was displayed in trotting exercises, and the feature of interest was, undoubtedly, the training the famous Tientsin crack was put through.

NARSES

As usual would allow no European "jock" to get on his back. Although he can be as tame as a lamb with his Mongolian "boy" on the saddle. Commander Gaunt, of H.M.S. *Vengeance*, made a plucky attempt to ride him; but the pony had had first to have the blinkers and was led all round the course by his Chinese *mafoo*. Eventually he settled down to his stranger rider who then took him three times round the course, and between slow walking and trotting the gallant Commander steered his charge safely home. It is the opinion of all that if Narses can only be broken in in time for the Races there is not another pony to smell his tail in any event he goes in for. It should be as difficult to beat Narses on the turf as it is to forestall the earliest of our early worm catchers who finds his habitat in the cozy rooms the Jockey Club put up for its members on the paddock.

"SNAPSHOTS"

of the Stewards were taken by several of the amateur gentlemen proficient with the camera.

EARLY BIRD.

MARINE LOT NO. 185

DISPUTE IN COURT.

At the Supreme Court this morning, before the Puisne Judge, Mr. A. G. Wise, the Yow Lee firm, of 28, High Street, sued Tsoi Tsung, trading under the name of Hop Sing Kung Tsz, of 386, Queen's Road, for the sum of $915 97, being balance due for work and labour done and materials supplied in respect of buildings on Marine Lot No. 185.

Mr. E. J. Grist (Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. R. Harding (Messrs. Ewens and Harston) represented defendants. Mr. Grist remarked that the case had already been before the Court on several occasions, and the only outstanding question was with reference to the quantity of work finished by defendant after the 1st October, the date of the contract. Mr. Grist then put into Court a statement showing the amount of work done, and after evidence had been called His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff for $100.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, January 26th.

FIRE.

There was a large fire on Honam last night and a number of houses were destroyed. We are having an unusually large number of fires this winter.

THE VICEROY AGAIN.

There is always something new to be learned about the Viceroy. He is ever active. His search after money is gaining him no new friends, and the merchants of the city are up in arms because of the large demands made upon them. The district magistrates are now saying things that are not complimentary him, because by some means or other the Viceroy has gained consent to sell Government lands. In every district there is some land belonging to the government, and during the past this land has been let to farmers and the rent collected for the Imperial treasury. What part of the money collected found its way to Peking cannot be ascertained, but it is certain that at least some of it found its way into the pocket of the district magistrates and others, through whose hands it passed on its way to Peking. Viceroy Shên has persuaded the government that to sell this land would add a large revenue to the Imperial treasury. There is no doubt that the Viceroy will have his share for managing the business. But he will have to pay dear for this in the ill will of the district magistrates who see a large share of their revenue departing.

UNREST AT CANTON.

THE TRIADS AND THE RAILWAY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, 27th January.

With the approach of the Chinese New Year there is always some talk of coming trouble, and the present time is no exception to the rule. Several times there has been trouble about the New Year holidays, and it is not unlikely that such will be the case this year, although at present there is nothing to show that evil times are at hand. The city is unusually quiet and well guarded. However, there are two sources from which trouble may come. One is the new railway, and the other the Triad society. With regard to the former the officials have not been able to protect the workmen along the line. Riots have occurred and considerable property has been destroyed or stolen. These rioters or strikers have numbered thousands. It is feared by some that an attempt may be made to tear up the railway, or that the idlers may be induced to attempt some uprising at the New Year. The Triad Society is the other source from which trouble is looked for. At present the members are unusually active. It is said that in Shun Tak district over 5,000 members have been enrolled. The head quarters of these is at Ma Ning. Ma Ning has a bad reputation and has been the camping ground of thieves and robbers for a long time. So alarming has been the reports concerning the Triad in Shun Tak that the gentry have petitioned the magistrate to suppress the society. The magistrate is afraid to move against the society. Similar reports come from Ying Tak. This has also been a favourite place for the Triads. Then the Wai Chau Triads are moving. This increase in the number of the Triads and their present activity are taken for evidence that they mean to give trouble soon and why not at the Chinese New Year. The introduction of sewing machines into Canton is turning many out of work and the number of the unemployed is considerable. These things are being talked about and trouble may come. At present there is nothing to indicate that anything unusual will happen. What a war in the north and the withdrawal of soldiers might cause cannot be told now. But if the number of soldiers was reduced it would invite an uprising. Yet with all the talk the best informed and older residents are not apprehensive of trouble.

THE "TSING TAU."

H. I. G. M. NEW RIVER GUNBOAT.

The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. has just completed the putting together and fitting out of a singularly well planned German river gunboat. The *Tsing Tau*, for this is the name of the new vessel, practically ready to put to sea, now lies alongside the wharf at Kowloon. She is built up of sections, sent out in parts from Germany. There are nine sections in all, each of which is complete in itself, so that the little vessel is, practically speaking, composed of so many watertight compartments. Her boilers are of the Schizau type, which are to all purposes much the same as the Thornycroft variety. She is driven by turn-screws, each of which have a separate and complete engine with its boiler. On account of the shallow draught of the vessel the machinery and boilers are above the water-line, but as her mission is to patrol the Chinese rivers and help in the suppression of piracy it is not probable that she will ever be exposed to artillery fire. She is built, in the main, of one-eight-inch plating, and has a bullet-proof chart house, from which she can be steered, of three-sixteenth steel. The *Tsing Tau* possesses two ammunition rooms and about one hundred stations altogether. She has a heavy mast with two fighting-tops and a searchlight. The gunboat is lighted throughout by electricity and the living quarters consist of deck cabins.

The boat was put together with extraordinary rapidity, the men working overtime, and the different sections were adjusted in a little over a fortnight. She is now practically complete. The German Naval Officers who superintended her completion are loud in their praise of the speed and excellence with which the work has been carried out by the Dock Co.

NORTHERN NOTES.

We take the following clippings from the *Kobe Chronicle* to hand to-day;—

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

A LULL.

There appears to be absolutely no change in the conditions last reported. Nevertheless the belief that war will be averted by Russia yielding to Japan's demands is growing among all sections of observers, and is reflected on the bourses. Government journals predict that the question whether there will be peace or war will be finally decided by the 20th instant, which confirms the statement in our columns that the Japanese Government had intimated to the Russian Minister that a final reply would be expected from Russia in ten days. It is perhaps significant that the *Kokumin* of yesterday's date warns the people not to be decided by rumours of peace, as Russia may be merely temporising. Already the Government seems to have very little hope that the issue will be peace, as preparations are being pushed forward with extraordinary energy.

THE EXPECTED REPLY OF RUSSIA.

To-day (20th) is the date of the expected Reply from Russia, which it is considered will be regarded by Japan as final. Excepting that this marks another crisis in the negotiations, the situation outwardly remains unchanged. Yesterday a Cabinet Council was held, when all the Ministers were in attendance with the exception of Count Katsura, who is not yet able to leave his residence. The view in Tokyo is that if peace comes it will be by the yielding of Russia, and that Japan does not intend to give way in the smallest degree and is making her preparations accordingly.

On Monday evening the Chief Interpreter at the Russian Legation left Tokyo for Nagasaki by the 6 p.m. train. Yesterday at 11 a.m. Baron Rosen received a telegram from St. Petersburg, and was closeted with the Legation Secretary for an hour. Viceroy Alexeieff on Monday dispatched a military officer to Nagasaki. It is matter of speculation whether this messenger will proceed to Tokyo or whether he will be met at Nagasaki by Baron Rosen.

NAVAL PREPARATIONS.

There is no slackening of the preparations in Naval and Military circles. The services of foreign lines of Japanese steamers from Kobe are now almost entirely suspended, with the exception of the Shanghai line. There is a daily increase in the shipment of munitions of war.

STEAMERS CHARTERED.

It is worth noting that Japanese and foreign steamers chartered by the Government have been exempted until further notice from observance of the rule requiring them to report their destination at Harbour Offices when leaving port. The British steamer *Firth of Beauly*, now at Yokohama, which was purchased by Mr. Harada, has been renamed *Seiunmaru* and chartered as a transport.

RUSSIAN TROOPS ORDERED TO LEAVE CHINA.

All the Russian troops are under orders to evacuate this province immediately and concentrate upon Port Arthur, except the smallest possible garrisons. The Legation guard at Peking is being reduced, and at Tientsin the Russian force will be limited to 20 Cossacks under a subaltern officer. The rest of the squadron now at Tientsin, together with troops from Peking, leave by special train to-morrow for Port Arthur. It is reported that similar steps are being taken by the Japanese, but this we have not yet been able to confirm.—*China Times.*

The foreign captains in the service of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha have been asked if they are willing to serve in their usual capacity on the steamers that have been engaged as transports, in the event of war.

COMMERCIAL.

Shanghai advices, dated 23rd inst., report business done:—Indo-Chinas at Tls. 51 cash Tls. 52½ for March, and Tls. 53 for April. Farnham, Boyds at Tls. 123. Shanghai and Woongkew Wharf shares at Tls. 166½ cash. China Fires to Hongkong at $91. Shanghai Lands at Tls. 109. Langkats at Tls. 295 cash, and for January, Tls. 307½ for March, and Tls. 322½ for June. Gas at Tls. 107½.

RICE.

Messrs. W. G. Hale & Co., writing from Saigon on 15th inst., state:—

During the period under review, our market kept rising gradually, and, at the close, shows much more firmness, although there is a general calmness of demand. This state of things is to be attributed to the following causes. Our harvest proves to be later than first anticipated, and new grain is coming to market but in small parcels of 3/4000 piculs daily. There being contracts falling due shortly, millers are obliged to buy at any rate to cover their requirements. On the other hand, the Hongkong market, owing to a fair demand for Japan, having gone up considerably, Chinese can well afford to ship their rice to that destination and avoid selling it on the spot unless at the equivalent of Hongkong prices. There has been a fair inquiry from Japan and the Philippines, and a few transactions have been put through. As for Europe, our present prices are far too wide apart from limits coming therefrom, moreover as exchange has advanced and closes with an upward tendency. Purchases for France amount, so far, to about 30,000 tons for shipments extending up to April. If we judge by the tonnage engaged for forward loading, there ought to be yet more purchases to be made for that direction.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
London—Bank T.T.	1/9⅞
Do. demand	1 9 13/16
Do. 4 months' sight	1/10 1/16
France—Bank T.T.	2.28
America—Bank T.T.	44
Germany—Bank T.T.	1.85⅛
India T.T.	134⅛
Do. demand	134⅜
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Japan—Bank T.T.	89⅞
Singapore—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Java—Bank T.T.	109⅜
Buying.	
4 months' sight L/C	1/10 3/16
6 months' sight L/C	1/10 5/16
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	44⅛
4 months' sight do.	45⅛
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	1/10 7/16
4 months' sight Francs	2.32
6 months' sight "	2.33⅛
4 months' sight Germany	1.89⅛
Bar Silver	25⅞
Bank of England rate	4 %

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—

		Per chest
Malwa New	@	900/920
" Last Year	@	950/990
" Oldest	@	1,000/1,060
Patna New	@	1,295
Benares New	@	1,285
Persian (Paper)	@	880/950

To-day's Advertisements.

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Hongkong, 28th January, 1904. [179

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [17

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [111

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1904. [141

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THE MANAGER,
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Hongkong, 30th September, 1903.

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" Roast—Shiu " "	"	17
" Breast—Ngau Lam	"	13
" Soup, Tong Yuk	"	13
" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	"	17
" " Serjoin—Ngau Lau.....	"	26
" Sausages,—Ngau Yuk Chaung ...	"	16
Bullock's Brains— " Know.....	per set	8
" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li.....	each	45
" " corned—Ham Ngau Li.....	"	55
" Head—Ngau Tau	"	5
" Heart—Ngau Sum	"	9
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin.....	"	13
" Feet—Ngau Kerk.....	each	8
" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu.....	"	8
Tail—Ngau Mei	"	16
" Liver—Ngau Con	lb	9
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To.....	"	5
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-keok.....	set	75
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pai Kw	lb	24
" Leg—Yeung Pei	"	24
" Shoulder—Yeung Shau	"	22
Pigs' Chitlings—Chi cheong	"	7
" Brains—Chi Know.....	per set	2
" Feet—Chi Kerk	"	12
" Fry—Chi Chak	"	12
" Head—Chi Tau	"	13
" Heart—Chi Sum	each	9
" Kidneys—Chi Yiu	pair	6
" Liver—Chi Kon	lb	24
Pork, Chop—Chi Pai Kwat	"	18
" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	"	18
" Leg—Chu Pei	"	22
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	"	18
Sheeps' Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Keok	set	55
" Heart—Yeung Sum	each	6
" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu	"	9
" Liver—Yeung Con.....	lb	20
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai ...	"	16
Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau	"	17
" Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau	"	20
Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk.....	"	18
" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong.	"	15

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kai Chai	lb	25
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai.....	"	30
Ducks—Ap.....	"	22
Doves—Pan Kau	each	15
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan.....	per doz.	20
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb	30
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	"	25
Geese—Ngoi	"	22
Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye Ngo	pair	$1.40
Musk Deer—Wong Keng	each	3.50
Hare—Tu Chai	"	60
Partridge—Che Khoo	"	55
Pheasant—Shan Kai	pair	1.40
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup	each	30
" Hollow—Hollow Pak Kup	"	20
Quail—Um-Chun	"	16
Rice Birds—Wo Tz Chak	"	—
Snipe—Sa Chui	each	22
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung	"	60
" Hen— " " Na.....	"	45
Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sui-ap	pair	$1.25
Teal, Shanghai, Sui Ap Chai.....	each	45
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sui Apea.....	per pair	80

FISH.

Barbel—Ka Yu	lb	13
Bream—Bin Yu.....	"	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	"	13
Carp—Li Yu	"	16
Catfish—Chik Yu.....	"	16
Codfish—Mun Yu.....	"	14
Crabs—Hai	"	16
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	"	12
Dab—Sa Mang Yu	"	14
Dace—Wong Mei Lun	"	11
Dog Fish—Tit Tu Sa	"	8
Eels, Congor—Hai Man Yu	"	15
" Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu	"	14
" Yellow—Wong Sin.....	"	24
Frogs—Tien Kai	"	28
Garoupa—Sek Pan	"	80
Gudgeon—Pak Kup Yu	"	12
Herrings—Tso-Pak	"	16
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu	"	18
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu.....	"	15
Loach—Wu-Yu.....	"	10
Lobsters—Lung Ha	"	20
Mackerel—Chi Yu	"	10
Monk Fish—Mon Yu	"	24
Mullet—Chai Yu	"	22
Oysters—Sang Hoo	"	16
Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu	"	16
Perch—Tau Loo	"	15
Pike—Fa Paw Poong.....	"	10
Plaice—Pan Yu.....	"	16
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	"	20
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong.....	"	28
Prawns—Ming Ha.....	"	40
Ray—Pei Pa Sa	"	8
Rock Fish—Sek Kau Kung.....	"	18
Roach—Chun Yu	"	11
Salmon, (Ch'on), fresh water—Ma Yau Yu.....	"	28
Shark—Sa Yu	"	9
Skate—Po Yu	"	10
Shrimps—Ha	"	24
Snapper—Lap Yu.....	"	20
Soles—Tat Sa Yu.....	"	18
Tench—Wan Yu	"	14
Turbot—Cho How Yu	"	18
Turtles, small, fresh water—Keok Yu...	"	60
White Bait—Ngan Yu Chai	"	—

FRUITS.

Almond—Hung Yan.....	lb	20
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping Ko.....	lb	15
" (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Ko.....	"	15
" Small—Hoi Tong.....	"	—
" Custard—Fan Lai Chi .....each		—
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—Sang Sheng Heung Chiu	"	3
" (brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu	"	3
Chestnuts, Chinese—Foong Lut.....	"	8
Carambola—Yeung Tou	"	—
Cocoanuts—Yeh Tsz .....each		9
Grapes—Sin Tai Tsz.....lb		—
Lemons, China—Ning Moong.....	"	8
" Amer.—Kum San Ning Moong	"	6
Lichees, Dried—Lai Chi Con	"	15
" Fresh, Lai Chi		—
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong..... .....each		6
Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Mong.....		—
Mango, Saigon—Sai Kung Moong		—
Mangosteens, San Chuk Tsz..... doz.		—
Oranges, (Canton)—Sang Sheng Tim Chang.....		5
" Small—Tai Kut		5
" Mandarin—Tim Kut		10
Olives—Pak Lam .....lb		7
Pears, (American)—Kam San Shut Li...		—
" (Canton), Cooking—Sa Li		8
" (Shanghai)—Sheung Hoi Li		15
Peanuts,—Fa Sang		10
Persimmons Large,—Hung Chie.....		—
Pine-apples, 1st quality—Sheung Poon Ti Paw-law .. ..each		6
" 2nd cooking—Chung-tang Paw-law ..... "		8
Platams—Tai Chen		3
Plums, Swatow—Hung Lai		—
Pumolo, Siam—Chim Lo Yau ..... "		10
Walnuts, Hop Tou		12
" Green—Sang Hop Tuo		8

VEGETABLES, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung Hoi Ah Chi Chauk .....lb		4
Beans, (French) Macao—Oh Moon Pin Tau		8
Beans, (French), Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Pin Tau		—
Beans, Sprout—Ah Choi.....		2
Beans Long—Tau Kok		14
Beet Root—Hung Choi Tau,..... each		2
Brinjals, Green—Cheng Yuen Ker		5
Brinjals, Red—Hung Ker		5
Brassica—Pak Choi.....		2
Bamboo Shoots—Chook Shun		10
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy.....		2
Cabbage Root—Kai Lan Tau .....each		2
Cabbage, (Shanghai)—Yeh Choi ..... "		10
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun ..... "		2
Cauliflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Choi Fa .....each		25
Cauliflower, Medium size—Cheung Yeh Choi-fa .....each		18
Cauliflower, Small size—Sai Yeh Choi-fa		10
Carrots—Kam Shun		5
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Choy		3
Celery, English—Yeung Kan Choi		7
Celery, White—Pak Yeung Kan Choi...		8
Chilles Dried—Con Lat Chiu		18
" Red—Hung Fa "		12
" Green—Cheng Lat Chiu ..... "		8
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Lee Choi Liu		5
Cucumbers—Cheng Kwa		—
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa		—
Garlic—Suen Tau.....		5
Ginger, young—Sun Tsz Keung		4
" old—Lo Keung		5
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan		18
Indian Corn—Suk Mai .....piece		—
Lettuce—Yeung Sang Choi .....each		1
Water Chesnuts—Ma Tai ..... "		4
" Mandarin—Kwei Lum Ma Tai "		6
Mushrooms Fresh—Sang Cho Kho		—
Onions, Bombay—Yeung Chung Tau ...		—
" Green—Sang Chung.....		5
" Shai—Sheung Hoi Chung Tau		5
" Japan—Yat Poon " "		5
Okroes—Mo Ker		10
Parsley, English—Yeung Un Sai		1
Green Peas—Cheng Tau.....		5
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu		2
Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Shu Tsai		—
" Japan—Yat Poon Shu Tsai ...		5
" American—Fa Ki " " ...		—
" Foochow—Fuk Chau Shu Tsai		4
" Macao—Oh Moon " "		4
Pumpkin—Toong Kwa		2
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai.....dozen		2
Shalots—Con Chung Tau		7
Spinage (Chinese)—Paw Choi		3
Spinach—Yin Choi		5
Tomatoes—Fan Ker.....		6
Taros—Wu Tau		3
Turnips, Pun-ti (Long)—Low Pak ...lb		3
" English—Yeung Low Pak piece		—
Vegetable Marrow—Chit Kwa		5
Waters Cresses—Sai Yeung Choi.....		6
" Caltrop—Lan Kok.....lb		—
" Lily Roots—Lin Ngau ..... "		4
Yams—Tai Shu.....		4

E. D. ROGERS,
Inspector in charge of Markets.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

A NEW CODE.

We have received from the Hongkong Observatory a new code of meteorological signals which comes into force at Hongkong on New Year's Day. They are the same as those at present in use at Shanghai, and will be hoisted on the mast beside the time-ball a Kowloon Point for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected. The signals are as follows:—

A cone point upwards indicates a typhoon to the North of the Colony.

A cone point upwards and drum below indicates a typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.

A drum indicates a typhoon to the East of the Colony.

A cone point downwards and drum below indicates a typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.

A cone point downwards indicates a typhoon to the South of the Colony.

A cone point downwards and ball below indicates a typhoon to the South-West of the Colony.

A ball indicates a typhoon to the West of the Colony.

A cone point upwards and ball below indicates a typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

Two lanterns hoisted vertically indicate bad weather in the Colony and that the wind is expected to veer.

Two lanterns hoisted horizontally indicate bad weather in the Colony and that the wind is expected to back.

The signals are repeated on the flagstaff of the Godown Company at Kowloon, and also, by day only, at the Harbour Office and on H.M.'s Receiving Ship.

LOCAL STORM-WARNINGS.

The Colony itself is warned of approaching typhoons by means of the Typhoon Gun placed at the food of the mast, which is fired whenever a strong gale of wind is expected to blow here.

NOTICE BOARDS.

Notice boards are placed at:—

Joint Cable Companies' Office.
Ferry Company's Pier, Ice House Street.
Blake Pier.
Post Office.
Harbour Office.
Ferry Company's Pier, Kowloon.

WEATHER-FORECASTS and STORM-WARNINGS are exhibited on the above boards daily about 11 a.m., and also at other hours, day or night, whenever necessary. Information of importance is also issued by "Express."

THE CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER is exhibited at the same places daily about noon. It contains observations made at Hongkong and at a number of stations in the Far East, together with *Remarks, Weather-forecasts*, and *information regarding the existence and movements of typhoons* based thereon.

SPECIAL INQUIRIES.

Masters of vessels or their agents may, whenever necessary, call at the Telegraph Company's Office in Connaught Road and send telegrams to the Observatory asking for special information without charge. Such inquiries may also be sent from the Police Station at Kowloon Point which is connected with the Observatory by telephone.

THE LAW OF STORMS.

Further information concerning the weather to be expected while signals are hoisted, and sailing directions, are given in "The Law of Storms in the Eastern Seas."

E. G. Ward,
Acting Director.

Hongkong, Observatory, 2nd January, 1904.

Shipping.

Arrivals.

China, Ger. s.s., 1,202, Krübbe, 27th Jan.,—Saigon 19th Jan., Gen.—Chinese.

Kasan, Rus s.s., 3,695, Smelski, 27th Jan.,—Odessa 23rd Dec., and Singapore 28th, Gen.—M. & Co.

Kumsang, Br. s.s., 2,077, Buller, 28th Jan.,—Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 19th Jan., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Ping Suey, Br. s.s., 4,150, Warrall, 28th Jan.,—Singapore 20th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.

Hailoong, Br. s.s., 783, Gibson, 28th Jan.,—Swatow 27th Jan., Gen.—D., L. & Co.

Wakamatsu Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,774, Sakamoto, 28th Jan.,—Moji 23rd Jan., Coal—Mr. H. U. Jeffries

Maristow, Br. s.s., 2,269, Pront, 28th Jan.,—Moji 22nd Jan., Coal.—B. & Co.

Hitachi Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,827, Campbell, 28th Jan.,—London via Ports and Singapore 21st Jan., Gen.—N. Y. K.

Hangsang, Br. s.s., 1,336, Wilde, 28th Jan.,—Shanghai 24th Jan., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Sullberg, Ger. s.s., 782, Meyer, 28th Jan.,—Dalny 21st Jan., Gen.—H. A. L.

Tamba Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,800, Wale, 28th Jan.,—Singapore 20th Jan., Ballast.—N. Y. K.

Chowfa, Ger. s.s., 1,055, Köhler, 28th Jan.,—Bangkok 19th Jan., Rice, Wood and Gen.—B. & S.

Malaya, Rus. s.s., 3,155, Fuysack, 28th Jan.,—Port Arthur 22nd Jan., Ballast—Order.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Tai Ping, for Canton.
San Cheong, for Canton.
Kwonkchow, for Canton.
Kasan, for Port Arthur.
Malaya, for Singapore.
Chan On, for Wuchow.
Hangsang, for Canton.
Wingchai, for Macao.
Daigi Maru, for Swatow.
Ping On, for Kwong-chow-wan.
Ping Suey, for Nagasaki.

Departures.

Jan. 28.

Hailan, for Swatow.
Dorothea Rickmers, for Swatow.
Szechuen, for Shanghai.
Rein, for Bangkok.
Mathilde, for Quinhon.
Meefoo, for Canton.
Kwongsang, for Shanghai.
Woosung, for Shanghai.
Socotra, for Shanghai.

Passengers arrived.

Per *Ping Suey*, from Singapore—450 Chinese.

Per *Kumsang*, from Calcutta, &c.—Messrs. Boys, Tretheweg, 648 Chinese, and 3 Japanese.

Per *Hitachi Maru*, from London, &c. for Hongkong—Messrs. T. Falcone, J. Windsor, A. Tugh, E. Purder, W. Hobbs E. M. William, Mr. and Mrs. W. Doberch, Miss Hoz, Messrs. Sounder, Pinchice, Mrs Runce and infant, and Mr. Genig. For Kobe—Mrs. Martin, and M. C. McKan. For Yokohama—Messrs K. Yamada, K. Tomeoka, Komatsu, C. Holgate, Mr and Mrs. T. Hocker, Miss Hocker, Messrs. T. Sato, M. Fujita, and Mrs. Hunter and infant.

Passengers departed.

Per *Kumano Maru*, for Japan Ports—Messrs. D. B. Fullarton, Philps, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Hoskins, Misses E. and J. Hoskins, Messrs. G. and L. Hoskins, Mayer, McHugh, Richardson, Miss Philps, Mrs Garlick, Capt. and Mrs. Kilbee Stuart, Mr. N. Inuzuka, Miss K. Inuzuka, Mr. T. A. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Mack, Mrs. Foo Shi, Mr. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Inouye, Comdr. W. J. Colquhoun, Mr. and Mrs. K. Imamura, Messrs. T. Morita, Ho Man, Chan See Ping, Chan See Pan, Chan Yu Lim, Chan Yuk, Fung Ping Chi, R. Mauri, S. Munakashi, K. Seto and J. Takai.

Shipping Reports.

Str. *Maristow* from Moji:—Strong N.E. wind and high sea.

Str. *Ping Suey* from Singapore:—Very strong monsoon throughout

Str. *Hailoong* from Swatow:—Strong breezes, moderate sea, fine and clear.

Str. *Kumsang* from Singapore:—Strong monsoon all the way, with heavy head sea.

Str. *Hangsang* from Shanghai:—Strong N.E. monsoons and high sea to Swatow, thence to port light N.E. wind and fine weather.

Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—29th December—*Merionethshire, Bengloe, Monmouthshire, Chinhua, Konigsberg, Gera.* 2nd January—*Artetisia.* 6th January—*Glaucus, Volga, Andalusia, Indramayo.* 9th January—*Borneo, Bamberg.* 13th January—*Silesia,* (Aus.) *Fuime, Indrawadi, Linan, Seydlitz, Salfordia.* 16th January—*Eidswold, Australien, Inabi Maru, Menzell.* 20th January—*Sambia.* 23rd January—*Ertria, Glenlogan, Agamemnon.* 27th January—*Fooshing, Ardandearg, Manila, Roon.*

Homeward—13th January—*Kawachi Maru* 16th January—*Achilles, Marburg.* 23rd January—*Prometheus, Salazie, Indrani.* 27th January—*Aragonia, Bingo Maru, Java.*

Arrivals at Home—2nd January—*Saxonia, Tantalus, Freiburg.* 6th January—*Sydney, Sado Maru.* 9th January—*Brizhuel, Ningchow, Polyphemus.* 13th January—*Antenor, Kurdistan, Armand Behic.* 16th January—*Prinz Heinrich.* 20th January—*Glenshiel. Seneca, Hyson, Suevia.* 23rd January—*Konig Albert.* 27th January—*Formosa*

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Shawmut	Moji	D. & Co	Jan. 29
Anhui	Manila	B. & S.	Jan. 29
Chusan	Singapore	P. & O. Co	Jan. 31
Siberia	Japan	P. M. Co.	Feb. 1
Sachsen	Japan	M. & Co.	Feb. 2
Merionethshire	Singapore	S., T. & Co	Feb. 2
Suisang	Singapore	J., M. & Co.	Feb. 3
Indrapura	Japan	P. & A. Co.	Feb. 5
Seydlitz	Colombo	M. & Co.	Feb. 4
Changsha	P. Darwin	B. & S.	Feb. 5
Tacoma	Victoria	N. P. Co.	Feb. 11
Coptic	San F'cisco	O. & O. Co	Feb. 12

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

Paul Beau	at	Kowloon	Dock.
Ellen Rickmers	"	"	"
Perla	"	"	"
Tartar	"	"	"
H.I.G.M.S. Moewe	"	"	"
H.M.S. Virago	"	"	"
H.M.S. Glory	"	"	"
Vigilant	"	"	"
Chihli	"	Cosmopolitan	"
Tritos	"	"	"
Pitsanulok	"	"	"
C. Hardouin	"	"	"
Salamanca	"	Aberdeen	"

Vessels in Port.

STEAMERS.

Amara, Br. s.s., 1,566, Mattock, 26th Jan.,—Moji 21st Jan., Coal.—J., M. & Co.

An Pho, Br. s.s., 902, Kynoch, 21st Jan.,—Saigon 16th Jan., Rice.—B. & Co.

Borneo, Ger. s.s., 1,344, Muhle, 27th Jan.,—Sandakan 21st Jan., Gen. and Timber.—M. & Co.

Charles Hardouin, Fr. s.s., 876, Laurage, 15th Jan.,—Nantes 15th Nov., and Singapore 3rd Jan., Ballast.—M. M

Chihli, Br. s.s., 1,142, Tuebben, 16th Jan.,—Canton 16th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.

Claverburn, Br. s.s., 2,358, Parker, R.N.R., 27th Dec.,—New York 27th Oct., Case Oil.—S. O. Co.

Daigi Maru, Jap. s.s., 846, Groves, 26th Jan.,—Swatow 25th Jan., Gen.—O. S. K.

Doric, Br. s.s., 4,975, Smith, R.N.R., 19th Jan.,—San Francisco and Shanghai 16th Jan., Mails and Gen.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

Hunan, Br. s.s., 1,143, Frazier, 27th Jan.,—Canton 26th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.

Empire, Br. s.s., 4,500, Helms, 24th Jan.,—Australia 3rd Jan., and Manila 21st. Gen.—G., L. & Co.

Empress of India, Br. s.s., 3,003, Marshall, 19th Jan.,—Vancouver 28th Dec., and Shanghai 17th Jan., Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Haimun, Br. s.s., 636, Passmore, 27th Jan.,—Tamsui 24th Jan., Amoy 25th, and Swatow 26th, Gen.—D., L. & Co.

Hinsang, Br. s.s., 1,536, Sawer, 27th Jan.,—Java 17th Jan., Sugar.—J., M. & Co.

Indravelli, Br. s.s., 3,361, Craven, 22nd Jan.,—Portland, Or. 18th Dec., Gen.—P. & A. S. S. Co.

Koun Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,783, Minamikawa, 22rd Jan.,—Moji 17th Jan., Coal.—Chinese.

Liscum, Am. transport, 1,072, Healey, 16th Jan.,—Manila 13th Jan., Ballast.—U. S. Govt.

Loosok, Ger. s.s., 1,020, Leuss, 21st Jan.,—Bangkok and Anghin 13th Jan., Rice.—B. & S.

Lothian, Br. s.s. 4,959, Williamson, 24th Jan., —San Francisco 2nd Dec., Portland 18th, and Moji 20th, Flour.—C. C. S. S. Co.

Mongkut, Ger. s.s., 859, Götsche, 21st Jan.,—Bangkok 13th Jan., Rice.—M. & Co.

M. Struve, Ger. s.s., 966, Brandt, 25th Jan.,—Hongay 22nd Jan., Gen.—A. R. M.

Petrarch, Ger. s.s., 1,252, Ahrens, 26th Jan.,—Moji 19th Jan., Coal.—S., W. & Co.

Pitsanulok, Ger. s.s., 1,268, Fuchs, 24th Jan.,—Bangkok 15th Jan., Rice and Wood.—B. & S.

Pronto, Norw. s.s., 837, Seeberg, 26th Jan.,—Haiphong and Hoihow 24th Jan., Rice and Pigs.—E. A. T. Co.

Quarta, Ger. s.s., 1,146, Johannsen, 29th Dec., Mauritius 4th Dec., Sugar.—S., W. & Co.

Riverdale, Br. s.s., 2,752, Hay, 25th Jan.,—New Zealand 18th Jan., and Australia 22nd, Coal.—Admiralty.

Tartar, Br. s.s., 4,125, Evans, 16th Dec.,—Vancouver 16th Nov., and Shanghai 13th Dec., Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Telemachus, Br. s.s., 1,383, Williamson, 27th Jan.,—Saigon 20th Jan., Gen.—Nam Wo & Co.

Tritos, Ger. s.s., 1,033, Kraeft, 15th Jan.,—Saigon 10th Jan., Gen.—S. & Co.

Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,611, Rodger, 25th Jan.,—Manila 21rd Jan., Gen.—S., T. & Co.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:—

Canton—Per *Pozvan*, 29th Jan., 7.30 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok—Per *Loosok*, 29th Jan., 8 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per *Daigi Maru*, 29th Jan., 9 A.M.
Bangkok—Per *Mongkut*, 29th Jan., 10 A.M.
Swatow—Per *Hailoong*, 29th Jan., 10 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama Honolulu and San Francisco—Per *Doric*, 29th Jan., 11 A.M.
Port Arthur, Dalny, Nagasaki and Vladivostock—Per *Kasan*, 29th Jan., 1 P.M.
Macao—Per *Heungshan*, 29th Jan., 1.15 P.M.
Cebu and Sandakan—Per *Hunan*, 29th Jan., 3 P.M.
Shanghai—Per *Kwongsang*, 29th Jan., 3 P.M.
Canton—Per *Fatshan*, 29th Jan., 5 P.M.
Moji, Salina, Cruz, Mexico and Portland, Or.—Per *Lothian*, 29th Jan., 5 P.M.
Kobe—Per *Hinsang*, 29th Jan., 5 P.M.
Namtao—Per *Taichun*, 29th Jan., 5 P.M.
Sanbue—Per *Hoi Fu*, 29th Jan., 5 P.M.
Macao—Per *Wingchai*, 29th Jan., 5 P.M.
Canton—Per *Kinshan*, 30th Jan., 7.30 A.M.
Manila—Per *Zafiro*, 30th Jan., 9 A.M.
Haiphong—Per *M Struve*, 30th Jan., 9 A.M.
Manila—Per *Shawmut*, 30th Jan., 10 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland, Or.—Per *Indravelli*, 30th Jan., 10 A.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per *Anhui*, 30th Jan., 10 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per *Haimun*, 30th Jan., 10 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, *via* Tuticorin—Per *Bengal*, 30th Jan., 11 A.M.
Macao—Per *Heungshan*, 30th Jan., 1.15 P.M.
Namtao—Per *Taichun*, 30th Jan., 5 P.M.
Sanbue—Per *Hoi Fu*, 30th Jan., 5 P.M.
Macao—Per *Wingchai*, 30th Jan., 5 P.M.
Namtao—Per *Taichun*, 31st Jan., 9 A.M.
Sanbue—Per *Hoi Fu*, 31st Jan., 9 A.M.
Canton—Per *Hankow*, 31st Jan., 9 A.M.
Macao—Per *Heungshan*, 31st Jan., 9 A.M.
Iloilo—Per *Ichang*, 1st Feb., 3 P.M.
Europe, &c., India, *via* Tuticorin—Per *Sachsen*, 3rd Feb., 11 A.M.
Manila—Per *Rubi*, 6th Feb., 9 A.M.
Yokohama and Kobe—Per *Changsha*, 9th Feb., 3 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Empress of India*, 10th Feb., 11 A.M.

Books containing stamps of the following denominations may be obtained at the counter of General Post Office for $1.00 each.

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12 " " 2 "
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THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, acting Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 28th at 11.40 a.m. The barometer has fallen over Japan, risen along the China coast.

A high pressure area lies over N. Chiua, and pressure is relatively low to the NE. of Japan and over the S. part of the China Sea.

Gradients moderate with strong monsoon in the Formosa Channel and the China Sea.

Forecast:—fresh NE. winds; fine.

	Jan. 27 at 10 a.m.	Jan. 27 at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.22	30.09
Temperature	64	62
Humidity	50	66
Rainfall	—	—

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January 28th, 1904, a.m.

		Bar.	Th.	Hu.	Wind	Wr.	
Vladivostock	7 a.m.	30.42	24	58	N	1	b
Nemuro	6 a.m.	30.04	—	—	W	4	—
Hakodate	"	30.21	—	—	W	6	—
Tokio	"	30.34	—	—	—	0	—
Kochi	"	30.39	—	—	E	4	—
Nagasaki	"	30.39	—	—	N	2	—
Kagoshima	"	30.31	—	—	NE	2	—
Oshima	"	30.24	—	—	—	0	—
Naha	"	30.21	—	—	NE	2	—
Ishigakijima	"	30.13	—	—	NE	2	—
Taihoku	5 a.m.	30.18	—	—	—	0	—
Taichu	"	30.17	—	—	—	0	—
Tamsui	"	30.11	—	—	N	4	—
Koshun	"	30.09	—	—	NE	6	—
Pescadores	"	30.13	—	—	NE	8	—
Weihaiwei	9 a.m.	30.52	33	—	W	2	—
Gutzlaff	"	30.45	46	77	NE	4	cv
Sharp Peak	"	30.33	53	86	N	4	o
Amoy	6.30 a.m.	30.30	55	87	W	1	c
Swatow	9 a.m.	30.25	60	—	N	1	b
Canton	"	—	60	82	N	1	b
Hongkong	10 a.m.	30.25	59	81	E	3	o
Victoria Peak	"	—	—	—	E	3	—
Gap Rock	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Macao	"	30.24	61	—	NNE	2	o
Haiphong	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	"	29.96	82	70	NW	1	c
Bacolod	9 a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	o
Iloilo	"	29.90	79	—	NNE	2	c
Cebu	"	29.92	82	—	N	2	b
C. St. James	10 a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—

THE SHARE MARKET.

Stocks.	Paid up Value.	Last Dividend.	To-day's Quotations.
BANKS.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	$ 125	Div. of £1.10/- @ 1/8=$18 for half-year ending 30.6.1903	$650
National Bank of China, Ld.	£ 6	3/1½=$1 96¼ for 1902	$35 b.
Do. Founders	£ 1	None	$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Union In. Society of Ctn, Ld.	$ 100	32 per cent=$32 per share for 1902	$490 s.
China Traders' In. Co., Ld.	$ 25	16 %=$1 for year ended 30.4.1903	$55 b.
North China In. Co., Ld.	£ 5	Final of £1 making £2 for 1902	Tls. 69
Yangtsze In. Association, Ld.	$ 60	20 %=$12 for 1901	$135
Canton In. Office, Ld.	$ 50	30 %=$15 per share for 1902	$175 s.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ld.	$ 50	$22½ per share for 1901	$300 b.
China Fire In. Co., Ld.	$ 20	$6 per share for 1901	$92½
SHIPPING.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ld.	$ 15	$1½ for half-year ending 30.6.1903	$31½ sa.
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ld.	£ 10	5 % = 10/- per share for 1902	$73 b.
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ld.	$ 50	10 % = $5 per share for 1900	$20 b.
Douglas Steamship Co., Ld.	$ 50	Div. of $3 for year ended 30.6.1903	$31 b.
"Star" Ferry Co., Ld.	$ 10 / $ 5	$1.20 / 60 cts. = 12% for year ending 30.4.03	$30 / $19
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ld.	£ 1	3rd Interim of 6d. for 1902	£1 1/- sa.
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ld.	Tls. 50	Interim of 2 % for 1903	Tls. 36 s.
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Limited	Tls. 50	Interim of 4 %=Tls. 2.00	Tls. 50 sa.
Do. Preference	Tls. 50	Interim of 3½ %=Tls. 1.75	Tls. 46 sa.
REFINERIES.			
China Sugar Refining Co., Ld.	$ 100	Fin. of $7 making $12 for 1903	$107 b.
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ld.	$ 100	$3 per share for 1897	$10 s.
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ld	Tls. 50	5 %=Tls. 2½ for year ending 30.9.03	Tls. 52½ s.
MINING.			
Punjom Mining Co., Ld.	$ 11	None	$1 s.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 250	Interim of Frs. 30 for 1903	$600 s.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ld.	£0.18.10.	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	$6 s.
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ld.	£ 1	No. 2 of 1/- per share 26.10.03	Tls. 6½ s.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.	$ 50	12 %=$ 6 for ½ year 30.6.03	$209 b.
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ld.	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for ½-year ending 31.10.1903	Tls. 123 b.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ld.	$ 50	Interim of $2½ for 1903	$95
New Amoy Dock Co., Ld.	$ 6¼	$2½ for 1902	$38 s.
Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf & Godown Co., Ld.	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903	Tls. 197½ sa.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.			
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ld.	$ 10	8 %=80 cents per share for 1903	$9
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ld.	$ 100	Final of $6 making $12 for 1903	$150 ex div.
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ld.	$ 30	$2.62 per share for 1903	$35
West Point Building Co., Ld.	$ 50	Final of $1.70 making $3.20 for 1903	$55 ex div. b.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ld.	$ 50	$6 for first ½-year 1903	$147
Astor House Hotel Co., Ld. (Shanghai)	$ 25	2½ % for year ending 30.6.03	$29 sa.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ld. (Shanghai)	Tls. 25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 13½
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ld.	$ 10	9 per cent. for 1902	$11½ sa.
Shai Land Investment Co., Ld.	Tls. 50	Interim of 6 % for 1903	Tls. 109 sa.
COTTON MILLS.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ld.	$ 10	Final of 60 cents, making $1 for 1902/1903	$15½ b.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld.	Tls. 50	8 % for period ended 31.10.1903	Tls. 32 s.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.	Tls. 75	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898	Tls. 25 b.
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld.	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898	Tls. 37½
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	Tls. 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.1897	Tls. 170
CIGAR AND TOBACCO COMPANIES.			
Alhambra, Ld.	$ 500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900	$200
Philippine Co., Ld.	$ 10	First year	$10 b.
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ld.	Tls. 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 53 b.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	$ 10	12 %=$1.20 per share for 1902	$25 b.
China-Borneo Co., Ld.	$ 12	First year	$8½ b.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ld.	$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1903	$14½
Watkins, Ld.	$ 10	$1 per share for 1902	$7½
Hongkong Electric Co., Ld.	$ 10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	$12½
Hongkong Electric Co., Ld.	$ 5	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	$7
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ld.	£ 10	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1901	$140 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ld.	$ 50	$10 for 1902	$145 b.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ld.	$ 25	15 per cent =$3.75 for 1902	$50 sa.
Hongkong Ice Co., Ld.	$ 25	Interim of $4 for 1903	$240
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	$ 100	$20 for year ending 31.11.1903	$300
Dairy Farm Co., Ld.	$ 6	$1½ for year ending 31.7.1903	$12½ b.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ld.	$ 10	Div. of $2½ for 1902	$40 s.
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld.	£0.12.6.		$5 s.
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ld.	$ 4	90 cents	$9½ b.
Do. Founders	$ 10	$29.70 for year ending 31.5.03	$210 b.
Hongkong Steam Water-boat Co., Ld.	$ 10	Final of 6 % making 12 % for year	$15½ b.
China Light & Power Co., Ld.	$ 10	None	$5 b.
William Powell, Ld.	$ 10	$1 for year ended 30.6.1903	$9.40 b.
Maatschappij tot Mijn-, Boschen Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	Guilders 100	5th interim dividend of Tls. 7½ paid 15.12.1903 making so far Tls. 35 for the year ending 31.10.03	Tls. 295 ex.
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ld.	$ 50	First year	$50
South China Morning Post, Ld.	$ 25	First year	$25

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